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Federal Railroad Administration
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FRA 2003-16265-1

Re: Docket No. LI-80-15

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Long Island Rail Road has been under a long-standing waiver with regard to third rail insulating devices, as called out in 49CFR229.81 on its fleet of M-1 and M-3 Electric Multiple Unit cars.

The Long Island Rail Road is requesting that FRA extend this waiver to our fleet of Dual-Mode Locomotives (DM-30), and newly introduced fleet of M-7 Electric Multiple Unit cars.

As has been the practice for many years, the Long Island Rail Road's procedure, known as CT-290, covers third rail isolation and de-energizing practices, which was the basis for the original granting of the waiver on September 1, 1981.

If any further information is required, please contact David J. Elliott, General Manager – New Fleet, of my staff. Dave can be contacted at 718-725-2638.

Sincerely,

Mark P. Sullivan
Chief Mechanical Officer
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